

THE
King's Letter
TO THE
Great Council
OF
PEERS.

Right Trusty, and Right Well-beloved Cousins; and Right Trusty, and Well-beloved Cousins; and Trusty, and Right Well-beloved: We greet you well. We cannot have better Reason to Promise Our Self an end of our *Common Sufferings and Calamities*, and that Our One Just Power and Authority will (with God's Blessing) be *Restored* to Us, than that we hear You are again acknowledged to have that Authority and Jurisdiction, which hath always belonged to You, by your Birth, and the *Fundamental Laws* of the Land; and We have thought it very fit and safe for Us to call to You for *Your Help*, in the Composing the *Confounding Distempers and Distractions* of the *Kingdom*; on which Your *Sufferings* are next to those We have undergone Our Self. Therefore, You cannot but be the most proper Counsellors, for removing *these Mischiefs*, and for *preventing the like*, for the future. How great a Trust We repose in You, for the Procuring and Establishing a *Blessed Peace and Security* for the *Kingdom*, will appear to You by Our Inclosed *Declaration*; which Trust, We are most confident, You will Discharge with that Justice and Wisdom, that becomes You, and must always be expected from You; and that upon Your Experience, how one Violation succeeds another. When the known Relations and Rules of Justice are Transgressed, You will be as Jealous for the *Rights of the Crown*, and for the *Honour of the King*, as Our Self: and then you cannot but discharge your Trust with *Good Success*, and provide for, and Establish the *Peace, Happiness, and Honour* of *King, Lords, and Commons*, upon that Foundation which can only support it, and We shall be all Happy in each other: And as the whole Kingdom will bless God for You, We also shall hold Our Self Obligated, in an especial manner, to Thank You in particular, according to the Affection You shall express towards Us. We need not enlarge to You on *this Subject*, because We have likewise Writ to the *House of Commons*; which, we suppose, they will Communicate to You. And We Pray GOD bless your Joynt-Endeavours, for the Good of us All. And so We bid You very Heartily, Farewel.

V. Raker.